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Dear Friend:

As you undoubtedly know, Louis Francis Budenz was stricken last month with a coronary thrombosis while giving an address in Newport, R. I. He has been critically ill in the Newport Hospital since and will be a patient there for several more weeks. As of today he has picked up considerably and all are hopeful of his recovery.

Mr. Budenz will be unable to carry on his work-save for a little writing--until the Fall. This means that practically all of his income will be dried up. His bills for hospitalization and other care will continue for some time.

He has four children--one an Ursuline Sister, another a student-in-training in St. Vincent's Hospital, Manhattan, and one in high and one in elementary school. His wife, of course, is forced to stay at home to care for the younger children.

In order to tide over the family and to help meet Mr. Budenz' medical bills, we are making an appeal to his friends, associates and former students to make such financial gift as they can in his behalf. Any contribution you make will be gratefully appreciated.

Mr. Budenz has rendered our Country, its institutions and its people distinguished services in opposing and exposing the Communist conspiracy, and we express the fond hope that many will feel privileged to manifest their gratitude by giving a helping hand now. His recovery will insure for all of us the continuation of a zealous and effective guard and champion of our beloved United States.

Thanking you for any consideration you might give this request, we are, with best wishes,

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